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1. RADIO MOSCOW AS RECEIVED IN SANTIAGO JAN 15 CARRIED PARTS OF PHONE INTERVIEW BETWEEN RADIO'S EDUARDO LABARCA AND EX-FONMIN CLODOMIRO ALMEYDA IN BUCHAREST. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION CONCERNING CONDITION OF THOSE SENIOR LEADERS STILL DETAINED IN RITOQUE, ALMEYDA SAID THAT COMMUNIST PARTY (PCCH) LEADER LUIS CORVALAN WAS "VERY WELL BOTH PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY," AND THAT ANSELMO SULE (RADICAL) AND PEPE CADERMATORI (PCCH) WERE THE SAME. STATED THAT "IN GENERAL ALL WERE WELL." ALMEYDA ALSO SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED DANIEL VERGARA (PCCH) AS BEING WELL BUT HAVING A MEDICAL PROBLEM WHICH COULD BE SERIOUS (THIS PRESUMABLY IS HAND INJURY HE RECEIVED DURING HIS ARREST IN SEPTEMBER 1973).

2. COMMENT. WE HAVE NO REASON TO DOUBT ALMEYDA'S STATEMENTS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND THUS NOW HAVE WORD FROM IMPECCABLE SOURCE THAT UNIDAD

POPULAR LEADERS STILL IN RITOQUE ARE NOT SUFFERING
PHYSICALLY OR MENTALLY, AS HAS BEEN ALLEGED AT VARIOUS
TIMES.
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